



Players Code of Conduct

- At all times play with an attitude that upholds the aims and objectives of CFFA. Think of CFFA's and football's interests before your own. Encourage your team to play fairly at all times. Help others on the park to have as much enjoyment from the game as you do.
- Play for the fun of it. Never set out to lose. If you do, you are cheating your opponents, deceiving those who are watching, and also fooling yourself.
- Play Fair. Winning is without value if victory has been achieved unfairly or dishonestly. Cheating is easy, but brings no pleasure. Playing fair requires courage and character. It is also more satisfying. Fair play also has its reward, even when the game is lost.
- Observe the Laws of the Game. All games need rules to guide them. Without rules there would be chaos. The rules governing our game are simple and easy to learn. Make an effort to learn them, so you understand the game better. By sticking to the rules you will enjoy your game more.
- Respect Opponents, Team mates, Referees, Officials and Spectators. Fair Play means respect. Without opponents there can be no game. They have the same rights as you have, including the right to be respected. Your team mates are your colleagues. You form a team in which all members are equal. Referees are there to maintain discipline and fair play. Always accept their decisions without arguing, and help them to help you enjoy your game more.
- Accept defeat with dignity. Nobody wins all the time. You will win some and you will lose some matches. Learn to lose graciously. Don't seek excuses for defeat. Genuine reasons will always be self-evident. Congratulate the winners with good grace. Don't blame the referee or anyone else. Determine to do better next time. Good losers earn more respect than bad winners.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted at CFFA sanctioned games.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are by your team or the opposition.
- While staying at provided Accommodation, males are not permitted within female accommodation and vice versa. This is irrespective of being 'invited in' by the occupants. Nominated curfews at accommodation venues are to be observed. Disciplinary action will be taken by the CFFA for any breaches.
- Will attend all events nominated as Compulsory by the CFFA. Disciplinary action will be taken by the CFFA for any breaches.
- Reject Corruption, Drugs, Racism and Violence. Watch out and report to officials any evidence of these things on and off the park at our games. Treat all players and everyone else equally, regardless of their skin colour, religious beliefs or origin.
- Honour those who defend and uphold the aims and objectives of CFFA. The good name of football and CFFA has survived because the vast majority of people who support and play in our competitions are honest and fair. Sometimes somebody does something exceptional that deserves our special recognition. They should be honoured and their fine example made public. This encourages others to act in the same way and to promote the confederation members by publicising its good deeds.

I agree to abide by the Christian Football Federation of Australia's players code of conduct whilst representing my member federation or district confederation at events sanctioned by the CFFA.

Players Name _____ Players Signature _____ Date ___/___/___